

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL COURT REPORTERS AND CAPTIONERS WEEK

HON. RON KIND

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. KIND. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize National Court Reporters and Captioners Week. Court reporters and captioners are highly trained professionals who have the unique ability to convert spoken word into text that can be read, broadcasted and archived. This profession provides a vital service to our Nation. Their work results in real-time translation services for people who are deaf and hard of hearing in addition to providing near instant translations in other settings. Our Nation's captioners ensure all Americans have equal access to news and other critical information.

I would be remiss if I failed to mention my wife, Tawni, and her work as a court reporter. Tawni has been a fearless champion and advocate for real-time writers. Most notably, she developed a program to transcribe the Veterans History Project recordings. Now the Library of Congress has a written record of these stories. I want to extend my sincerest thanks to the real-time writers who have given their time to do this.

In the 117th Congress, I reintroduced the Training for Realtime Writers Act, which would reauthorize the Training for Realtime Writers Grant program and encourage careers in real-time writing and court reporting, provide scholarships for students, and modernize curriculum to adapt to our changing world.

The Training for Realtime Writers Grant Program has been successful in training the current generation of captioners and court reporters and has aided in the rapid growth of these professions. By reauthorizing the Training for Realtime Writers grants, students will have the opportunity to enter a technical, well-paid, and highly skilled career that will allow them to become court reporters and captioners immediately upon graduation.

From maintaining the integrity of our democracy to ensuring every citizen stays up to date on today's 24-hour news cycle, real-time writers are vital to Americans in all communities. Over the past decade, this program has encouraged a new generation of real-time writers to enter this important field. I want to acknowledge the court reporters and captioners in the House of Representatives, especially those who were on the House floor on January 6, 2021, when insurrectionists breached the Capitol. Their work is crucial to the sustained function of our government, and I thank them for their service and dedication to our country.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL WALTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. WALTZ. Madam Speaker, I missed a Previous Question vote on February 8. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 35.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF MAJOR GENERAL GARY WAYNE JOHNSTON

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life and service of Major General Gary Wayne Johnston who passed away on January 20, 2022. My deepest condolences are with his family, friends, and loved ones during this time of mourning.

Gary Johnston was born on October 21, 1964 in Russellville, Arkansas. He served in the U.S. Army for over 34 years. He served overseas in Germany, the first Gulf War and Afghanistan and commanded the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Additionally, he was a director of intelligence of the United States Special Operations Command and the deputy chief of staff for intelligence for Resolute Support Mission. After retiring from the Army in 2021, Gary joined Touchstone Futures as the executive Vice President for Intelligence, Security, and Risk. He served on the advisory board for Leyden Solutions.

Left to cherish his memory are his beloved wife, Brigadier General Amy Johnston; his mother, Bonnie; and children, Lauren, Blake, and Parker.

The Johnston family, and all those who had the opportunity to know and serve with him, are in my thoughts and prayers.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF CURTIS HAYES MUHAMMAD

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of a remarkable individual, Curtis Hayes Muhammad.

Curtis Hayes Muhammad spent his entire life participating in various struggles for human rights and civil rights. His activism began in the fall of 1961. Only 18 years old, he was one of five young people from McComb, Mississippi, brave enough to respond to Bob

Moses's call to begin direct action and community organizing there. He was a key member of SNCC's dangerous and groundbreaking efforts all over Mississippi throughout the sixties. Jailed many times for civil rights work, Curtis kept the principles of bottom up organizing learned from Moses and Ella Baker as the guiding foundation to subsequent efforts of union and community organizing and struggles for African Liberation. These beliefs in a cooperative society and bottom up organizing led by poor and dark-skinned people have been embraced by many contemporary movements for social justice today.

Curtis's early life experiences made him responsive to these movement ideals. He grew up in a family of sharecroppers in Chisolm Mission, Mississippi who had joined with 26 other sharecropping families and purchased a plot of land which they worked together. Raised by his grandmother, a midwife, he was taught principles of black independence and strength. Learning that his father had to flee Mississippi after killing several Ku Klux Klansmen in a gun fight, Curtis was determined to find ways to fight against Mississippi segregationists. He began preaching as a child and was encouraged by his grandmother that he had an important role to play in the liberation of black people.

Curtis's post-civil rights activism included helping to organize the 1963 Chicago School Boycott when 225,000 students walked out demanding an end to racial segregation and the disparate treatment of Black students. He was an organizer for the New Politics Convention that ran Dr. Benjamin Spock and Dick Gregory in the 1968 presidential election as third-party candidates. Curtis helped establish a radical Black bookstore in Washington, D.C. and helped create an early version of a Community Supported Agriculture project, bringing produce from Black farmers in the South to northern progressive communities in D.C. and NYC. He also worked on housing issues for poor people with the Harlem Reclamation Project which urged homeless people to take over abandoned brownstones and rehabilitate them, and thus extract ownership from the City. In Jersey City, NJ, following the same model, he assisted in the handing over of more than 60 brownstones to poor folks.

Later he worked as a union organizer for Unite in Monroe, LA. He successfully organized several dozen locals, mostly of Black women garment workers, using the Ella Baker model of organizing. As a result, the organized workers sometimes made decisions independent of and criticized by national union leaders such as calling for and enacting wildcat strikes. He went on with the now federated Unite-HERE to New Orleans organizing hotel and restaurant workers there and mentoring young folks in Union Summer. He also joined local New Orleans community members in Community Labor United, which worked on improving public education in New Orleans as the laboratory for a national Quality Education as a Civil Right Campaign.

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Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life, legacy, and service of Mr. Curtis Hayes Muhammad.

RECOGNIZING DR. ROBERT ALLEN SHANKERMAN

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Dr. Robert Shankerman as United Health Centers of the San Joaquin Valley unveils a memorial display in his honor.

Dr. Shankerman began his medical career at Tulane Medical School where he was recognized as the 'Most Compassionate Physician.' He went on to complete his Internal Medicine residency at the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota. He practiced medicine in San Diego for eight years and served as associate clinical professor of medicine at UCSD Medical School. He was a diplomat for the American Board of Internal Medicine and was certified as an HIV specialist.

In 2000, Dr. Shankerman went to work at Clinica Sierra Vista in Bakersfield, California, where he served as Chief Medical Officer for ten years. For the last six years, he was responsible for supervising United Health Center's 70 primary care doctors, physician assistants and nurse practitioners, and the quality of care for almost 125,000 patients.

Dr. Shankerman was a valued member of our local health community, and it is with great pride that I recognize him for his service and dedication to the underserved communities of the Central Valley.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in honoring the life of Dr. Robert Shankerman.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JOHN NOLAN

HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. KATKO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember the life of John Nolan, a dedicated police investigator and beloved father and husband, who passed away on December 24, 2021.

John Nolan was a cherished member of the Central New York community, who attended Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School as well as Bishop Ludden High School. John was a classmate of mine at Bishop Ludden and we remained friends. From an early age, John aspired to be a Syracuse Police Officer and fulfilled his childhood dream after graduating from the Police Academy in 1986.

With the Syracuse Police Department, John Nolan served with the Syracuse Police SWAT/Hostage-Crisis Negotiation Team, the Criminal Investigations Division, Investigations Bureau, and Cold Case Investigation Unit. He also devoted much of his time to mentoring the next generation of police officers, holding positions at the Syracuse Police Academy and serving

as a guest lecturer at local universities and colleges. Following his retirement from the Syracuse Police Department, John continued his passion for investigative work by joining the Onondaga County District Attorney's office as a case investigator.

As a former organized prosecutor, I had the pleasure of working alongside John Nolan. John was a consummate professional and had a dogged determination for justice. For his work, John received a number of awards including the 1991 Syracuse Post 41 American Legion Police Officer of the Year, the 2001 Post-Standard Award, the 2002 and 2003 CNYCOP Law Enforcement Commendations, the 2004 PBA President's Award, the 2007 and 2016 Meritorious Service Awards, and the 2018 District Attorney's Distinguished Service Award.

Outside of his career in law enforcement, John was an engaged member of his community and a devoted husband to Patricia and father to Delaney. John championed an active lifestyle as an avid golfer, runner, and annual competitor at the Syracuse Mountain Goat Run, missing only one in over 35 years to attend his daughter's first communion.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in honoring the life of John Nolan. A beloved member of Syracuse's law enforcement community, John will truly be missed. I ask my colleagues to keep him and his family in mind as we remember the contributions of this public servant.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF GRADY WIGGINTON

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life and accomplishments of Grady Wigginton, as he passed away on January 31, 2022.

Mr. Wigginton was born just west of Guntown, MS on June 30, 1937. Mr. Wigginton was proud to grow up in rural Mississippi where he was able to learn about the nature and creatures of God's creation. After graduating from High school, Mr. Wigginton decided to join the USMC. In his time serving the country he achieved the great accomplishment of being promoted to the rank of Sergeant (E-4) in just twenty-two months. He believed in God first, Country second, and family third. We thank him for his commitment to service.

After Mr. Wigginton's service to his country, he worked for CPI. At CPI he went on to become both a district and regional manager. He enjoyed hiring and working with new employees as he saw it was his responsibility to motivate them to do their jobs to the best of their ability. Due to his commitment to a hard-working staff, both his district and regional teams won multiple awards for sales and profit.

Mr. Wigginton will be greatly missed, and we thank him for his service to his country and community.

HONORING QUINLAN-HAMMOND HALL OF HONOR

HON. STEVEN M. PALAZZO

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. PALAZZO. Madam Speaker, today, we celebrate the dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony for the Quinlan-Hammond Hall of Honor at the University of Southern Mississippi.

The Quinlan-Hammond Hall of Honor is a state-of-the-art facility that represents the University of Southern Mississippi's commitment to honor our nation's heroes. The dedication ceremony will honor Joe Quinlan, USM alumnus and lead benefactor for the Hall of Honor, as well as U.S. Army Major General (Retired) Jeff Hammond, USM alumnus and former Golden Eagles Football Team Captain and Quarterback. These two gentlemen have earned this recognition for their service to the Golden Eagle community.

The University's Center for Military Veterans, Service Members and Families provides guidance and support to Student-Veterans in their academic and professional pursuits. Major General Jeff Hammond, who serves as the Center's Director, has led the University of Southern Mississippi to earn numerous prestigious recognitions, including the top Military Caring University across the State of Mississippi, designation as a Purple Heart Institution, and ranking No. 1 in the Southeast by Military Times in its "Best for Vets: Colleges 2021 Rankings."

The new Quinlan-Hammond Hall of Honor will provide more than 1,700 USM Military Students and Student-Veterans with a home of their own that is commensurate with the honor of which they are deserving.

Today is a special day. The dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony for the Quinlan-Hammond Hall of Honor symbolizes the University of Southern Mississippi's continued commitment and gratitude to our nation's heroes for their unwavering dedication to our country. As a veteran and USM alumnus, I want to thank the University's Administration, the USM Foundation, and the more than 150 USM alumni donors who made the construction of the new Quinlan-Hammond Hall of Honor possible for their commitment to honor those who serve. SMTT.

Semper Fidelis.

RECOGNIZING ROBERT B. JACKSON OF NEW ORLEANS

HON. TROY A. CARTER

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Robert B. Jackson, a public servant who has served the citizens of New Orleans with humility and professionalism for over forty-two years. He began as a Public Health Educator Supervisor with the New Orleans Department of Health from 1981 to 1988 where he served as a member of the department's grant writing team and the CPR instruction team.

I met Mr. Jackson in his most recent role as Director of Community and Intergovernmental

Relations at the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans serving our great City over the past thirty-three years. His stellar work benefited directors Harold J. Gorman, Marcia A. St. Martin, Cedric Grant and Ghassan Karban, assuring the needs of their customers.

Under his leadership, the Sewerage and Water Board's Water Education Program for public and parochial schools in the City of New Orleans met EPA requirements for public information and community education, thereby providing compliance with Consent Decree requirements for that component until recent years.

During Mr. Jackson's tenure at the Board, they successfully sponsored the Water Help Run/Walk-a-thon from 1992 to 1996 to help support the Water Help Program for elderly and handicapped in our community.

And in the days following Hurricane Katrina, Robert B. Jackson was instrumental in securing emergency fuel, satellite phones, supplies and equipment to help stabilize water operations during the emergency. Then, by the second week of September 2005, a temporary headquarters with forty-four offices was secured, furnished and operational in order to provide continuity of service for displaced customers and employees needing to connect with the Board.

There are only a few employees who can credit their career to include entrusted service under five Mayors—Sidney J. Barthelemy, Marc H. Morial, C. Ray Nagin, Mitchell Landrieu and LaToya Cantrell.

The entire New Orleans community is grateful to Mr. Jackson for his dedicated service, and I want to express my sincere congratulations to him ahead of his well-deserved retirement.

RECOGNIZING DR. BRENDA LEWIS

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Brenda Lewis for her contributions to the Kern High School District and congratulate her on her retirement.

Dr. Lewis moved to Bakersfield, California, in August of 1988. She has spent the last 33 years working for the Kern High School District. Her illustrious career consisted of serving her community as a teacher, coach, mentor, and administrator. She also serves on the Board of Directors for the Mediburu Magic Foundation and No Sister Left Behind and is a member of the Greater Harvest Christian Center Church where she serves as the president of the Deaconess Board.

Dr. Lewis has received several awards and recognitions for her excellent work. She received the CSUB Athletic Director's Appreciation Award, the Josephine Triplett Education & Leadership Award, the California Association of African American Superintendents & Administrators Award for Dedication & Devotion to Helping Students Achieve Excellence in Education, the MLK Committee's Sacrifices from the Heart Award, the Kern County Black Chamber of Commerce Certificate of Recognition, and was the Keynote Speaker for the 2020 Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast and Grand Marshal for the Bakersfield Black American History Parade.

Dr. Lewis was the first African American and the first woman in the history of the Kern High School District to serve as Assistant/Associate Superintendent. These are just two of her many great accomplishments from her time in the Kern High School District.

I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Dr. Brenda Lewis for her contributions to the Kern County community and wishing her the best in retirement.

RECOGNIZING QUEEN ELIZABETH II

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I am grateful to recognize Queen Elizabeth's 70th year on the British throne. She has been Great Britain's head of state through 14 different American Presidents, meeting with 13 of them. I include in the RECORD, an article from The Washington Times of February 7, 2022 by Danica Kirka, celebrating Queen Elizabeth's time on the throne. I appreciate Ambassador Karen Pierce for her service in Washington.

I particularly appreciate the Queen's service as I am a native of Charleston, South Carolina, which is the most British city in North America founded by British settlers in 1670. As Co-Chairman of the U.K. Caucus, I was grateful to have hosted the Minister for the Armed Forces, James Heapey, of the U.K. Parliament, at the Capitol Hill Club last week for dinner, as we remain united in supporting the independence of Ukraine.

QUEEN ELIZABETH II MARKS 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF HER RULE

LONDON.—As the United Kingdom marked the 70th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II's rule on Sunday, the queen looked to the future of the monarchy.

In remarks delivered in time for Sunday morning's front pages, the queen expressed a "sincere wish" that Prince Charles' wife, Camilla, should be known as "Queen Consort" when her son succeeds her as expected. With those words the monarch sought to answer once and for all questions about the status of Camilla, who was initially shunned by fans of the late Princess Diana, Charles' first wife.

"The queen is such a realist and, you know, she's got a business to run," historian Robert Lacey said. "Well, they call it 'The Firm,' don't they? And this really brings Camilla into the firm properly now and for the future."

It took years for many in Britain to forgive Charles, whose admitted infidelity and long-time links to Camilla torpedoed his marriage to Diana. The popular, glamorous princess died in a Paris car crash in 1997, five years after the couple separated in a messy public split. But the public mood has softened since Charles married Camilla Parker Bowles in 2005.

Now known as the Duchess of Cornwall, the 74-year-old Camilla has taken on roles at more than 100 charities, focusing on a wide range of issues including promoting literacy, supporting victims of domestic violence and helping the elderly.

Her down-to-earth style and sense of humor eventually won over many Britons. Her warmth softened Charles' stuffy image

and made him appear more approachable, if not happier, as he cut ribbons, unveiled plaques and waited for his chance to reign.

Charles, 73, has long made it clear that he wants Camilla to be known as queen when he ultimately succeeds his mother on the throne. In his own message congratulating the queen on her long years of service, Charles thanked his mother for her support.

"We are deeply conscious of the honour represented by my mother's wish," they said. "As we have sought together to serve and support Her Majesty and the people of our communities, my darling wife has been my own steadfast support throughout."

The queen's comments are remarkable in that they brought back memories of one of the lowest moments of her 70 years on the throne. The royal family was widely criticized for its initial silence in the aftermath of Diana's death, with one national newspaper proclaiming "Your People Are Suffering. Speak to Us Ma'am."

In backing Charles and Camilla, the queen remembered the support she received from her husband, Prince Philip, who died last year after decades at her side, as well as the role her mother played as the wife of a king.

"I am fortunate to have had the steadfast and loving support of my family. I was blessed that, in Prince Philip, I had a partner willing to carry out the role of consort and unselfishly make the sacrifices that go with it," she wrote. "It is a role I saw my own mother perform during my father's reign."

"And when, in the fullness of time, my son Charles becomes King, I know you will give him and his wife Camilla the same support that you have given me."

But for now, the queen remains at work.

On Sunday, Buckingham Palace released a photo of the monarch sitting in front of her official red dispatch box with government papers spread out before her.

The 95-year-old monarch is expected to spend the day at Sandringham, the country estate in Norfolk where her father, King George VI, died suddenly on Feb. 6, 1952, making her queen.

"It is a sad day and one that reminds her of the close relationship she had with him," said Lacey, the historical consultant to the Netflix series "The Crown."

"(Sunday) is a day when, by tradition, she likes to go back to Sandringham, the country roots of the family," he told The Associated Press. "He liked to consider himself the Squire of Sandringham, the King of Britain, but he'd go out and walk the fields, shoot the game. That's what she remembers."

While Sunday's anniversary is expected to be low-key, public celebrations of the monarch's platinum jubilee are scheduled for June, when the weather improves. The festivities will include a military parade, neighborhood parties and a competition to create a new dessert—a mini extravaganza that will take place over a special four-day weekend June 2–5.

The celebrations are meant to recognize the woman who became a symbol of stability for the U.K. as it navigated an age of uncertainty.

Britain's longest-serving monarch, the only sovereign most Britons have ever known, she has been a constant presence as Britain navigated the end of empire, the swinging '60s, the labor strife of the 1980s, international terrorism, Brexit and the COVID-19 pandemic.

In her message, the queen promised to keep working for the U.K. and the Commonwealth.

"As we mark this anniversary, it gives me pleasure to renew to you the pledge I gave in 1947 that my life will always be devoted to your service," she wrote.

REMEMBERING CONNER
KURAHASHI**HON. TED LIEU**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. LIEU. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor the life of Mr. Conner Kurahashi, who passed away on January 22, 2022. A beloved member of California's 33rd Congressional District, he was known for his exemplary leadership skills, devotion to civic engagement, and commitment to community service.

Conner was born on October 7, 1999, in Torrance, CA to Brian Kurahashi and Gay Koga. From a young age, Conner had a sense of compassion and supported others in their times of need. As an elementary and middle school student, he volunteered his time to help set up school assemblies, and he served as student body president in his senior year at West High School. As student body president, he ably represented his classmates at Torrance City Council and Torrance Unified School District Board meetings.

Always thinking of others and planning ahead, Conner was committed to documenting the activities of his high school classmates; he had stashed photos and videos for their 10-year high school reunion. Even after graduation, he continued to document his sister's achievements on the girls' basketball team and the school's track and field meets. Conner had a hand in many campus activities: fundraising, taking photos, painting signs, and volunteering with the Kiwanis International organization. He was also a multi-sport athlete, playing volleyball and basketball, as well as running track and cross-country.

As a student at California Polytechnic University, Pomona, Conner helped plan basketball games and tournaments, dances, overnight ski trips, leadership conferences, and community service events with his fraternity, Pi Kappa Phi. He also served as Chief Communications Officer for the Nikkei Student Union. Conner was to graduate this spring with a bachelor's degree in urban and regional planning.

To friends and family, Conner will be remembered for his love of cooking, gardening, and even building a personal computer from scratch. Conner also loved basketball from an early age, playing for community youth teams and coaching them as he got older.

Conner is survived by his parents, Brian and Gay; sister, Bailey; and grandmother, Kazuko Kurahashi. I ask my colleagues to join me in extending our thoughts and condolences to the Kurahashi family as they try to deal with this tragic loss. May Conner's memory live on in all those he touched through his life.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LATE
NATHAN WENDEL GRAY**HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Nathan Gray, who lost his battle with childhood cancer on January 6, 2022.

In his eight years of life, Nathan's courage, positivity, and bright smile inspired many, raised awareness for childhood cancer, and banded a community together, inspiring others to do good.

Nathan was born on July 16, 2013 to Jeffrey and Patricia Gray, and he was the beloved brother of ten year old Jeffrey and six year old Natalie. When Nathan was two years old, he was diagnosed with Wilms tumor, a rare form of kidney cancer. He fought cancer with the bravery of a superhero, enduring 221 doses of chemotherapy, 26 surgeries, 33 days of radiation, an oral inhibitor, and more than 100 blood platelet transfusions. Despite the challenges of his illness, Nathan attended St. Nicholas-St. Mary's School and enjoyed swimming, playing video games, and riding his bike.

Nathan's bravery and joy garnered local attention in August 2016 when the Facebook page "Nathan the Super Hero" was started by his family to document his battle with cancer. Thousands of people have followed the page, sharing words of encouragement, celebrating the joyful moments, and offering comfort and support during the challenging ones. Nathan quickly became a local celebrity, inspiring members of the community with his infectious smile and relentless courage. The community rallied around Nathan, cheering him on and making him feel special. In February 2020, the Wilkes-Barre Area Wolfpack named him honorary team captain before they played their inaugural home game at Wilkes-Barre Memorial Stadium. In August 2020, Wilkes-Barre police and fire department vehicles paraded past his home while well-wishers delivered gifts, and, in December 2021, carolers visited Nathan to spread some Christmas cheer. Just last month, the Wilkes-Barre council unanimously voted to rename the Barney Farms Park in Nathan's honor.

Nathan's family's willingness to be open and share their son's experiences with Wilms tumor helped shed important light on the issue of childhood cancer and the need for more aggressive research and increased funding for prevention and cures—so that children like Nathan do not have to suffer.

I am honored to recognize the life and legacy of this brave young man. Nathan's memory will live on with his beloved family and friends and the large community that he inspired with his determination and positivity.

HONORING THE HONORABLE SHIRLEY
ANITA ST. HILL CHISHOLM**HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to a trailblazer, icon, educator, and social activist, The Honorable Shirley Anita St. Hill Chisholm.

The daughter of immigrants, "Fighting Shirley" (as she became known) was the second African American in the New York Legislature (1964), the first African American woman to serve in the U.S. Congress (1968), and the first woman and African American to seek the nomination for the Presidency of the United States from one of the two major political parties (1972). During her impressive tenure in

Congress, she introduced over 50 pieces of legislation and was a staunch advocate for education, expanding minimum wage standards, racial and gender equality, combating poverty, and ending the Vietnam War. She also co-founded the National Women's Political Caucus (1971) and became the first Black woman and the second woman to ever serve on the House Rules Committee. After she retired from Congress in 1983, she went on to teach at Mount Holyoke College and later lecture in Palm Coast, Florida.

Shirley Chisholm is known quite often for the quotes, "Service is the rent that we pay for the space that we occupy here on this earth." "If they don't give you a seat at the table, bring a folding chair." She was a formidable woman who fought against the odds (sexism and racial discrimination) during her career, inspired the future generation of leaders, and paved the way for others looking to pursue a career in politics and/or public service.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join my wife, Vivian, and me, along with the more than 730,000 people of the Second Congressional District and the distinguished members of the Congressional Black Caucus, in paying tribute to the life and legacy of The Honorable Shirley Anita St. Hill Chisholm.

JAMIE CONNELL

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jamie Connell of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for her service to our country and wish her well on her retirement.

For more than 37 years, Jamie has served the constituents of the State of Colorado and other states with her public service. With most of the BLM public lands concentrated in Colorado's Western Slope, Jamie oversaw more than 8.3 million acres of public land and 27 million acres of federal mineral estate in Colorado, ranging from alpine tundra, colorful canyons and sagebrush steppe to mountains rising more than 14,000 feet above sea level. During her time in Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Idaho, Wyoming, Oregon, Washington, and the District of Columbia, she tirelessly worked to improve and many areas of natural resource management. In her role, she has worked constructively with officials in the legislative and judicial branches of federal and state government as well as with industry and non-profit partners.

Jamie's hard work and dedication has been tremendous. I wish Jamie all the best in retirement and send gratitude for her service to our community, the State of Colorado, and the United States of America.

HONORING MAGGIE WADE

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable hero, Maggie Wade.

Maggie has remained at the same station where she was first hired as a senior at Mississippi College. She is the 89th member of her extended family to attend Jackson State University. She is the oldest of seven children. Maggie was planning to go to law school; she wanted to be a corporate attorney. She never intended to be in television because everything that she learned was preparing her for a law career.

Maggie landed an interview with Randy Bell at Miss 103/WDJX. She was hired for the position as a weekend News Anchor/Radio Announcer. She was also in school full time at Mississippi College. While working at WDJX/Miss 103, a weekend weather opening became available at WLBT. She was introduced to Woodie Assaf at WLBT and went through the interview process for the position.

She received the job at WLBT, and this has been her employment since then. She fell in love with the media and the power of the media to bring change. Maggie gives all glory to God and speaks about how God had this planned for her. The first assignment for Maggie was at the University of Mississippi Medical Center inside the Children's Hospital. She was in love with the children and the support from her colleague.

Maggie's favorite quote is from Maya Angelou, "People may forget what you did, they may forget what you said, but they'll never forget how you made them feel." She uses this quote because when you can do a story, when you can cover an event, no matter what that event is, and it touches the heart of people, you've done a good job.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life, legacy, and service of Ms. Maggie Wade.

RECOGNIZING THE BAKERSFIELD BLACK AMERICAN HISTORY PARADE COMMITTEE

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Bakersfield Black American History Parade Committee on their 17th year organizing and facilitating this annual event.

The Bakersfield Black American History Parade was founded in 2005 by Gloria Patterson. The parade boosts local awareness and highlights the rich heritage and valuable contributions of African Americans. It provides a culturally inspired and community-wide celebration of the African American heritage. Local businesses and organizations interact with parade attendees and introduce them to resources available throughout Kern County and California. The committee also works with the Sickle Cell Disease Foundation and Black History 365 to help familiarize the community with services and resources.

In addition, the Bakersfield Black American History Parade Committee is committed to supporting educational institutions that raise awareness of the valuable contributions of the African American community.

I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in honoring the Bakersfield Black American History Parade Committee and their service to the Bakersfield community.

HONORING DR. DUDLEY FLOOD

HON. DEBORAH K. ROSS

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Ms. ROSS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the service and career of Dr. Dudley Flood, a recipient of North Carolina's highest civilian award, The North Carolina Award for Public Service, for his trailblazing leadership in desegregating our state's public schools.

Born in Winton, North Carolina and a graduate of North Carolina Central University, Dr. Flood began his career as an educator teaching grade school and eventually became a principal.

Following his teaching tenure, Dr. Flood joined the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, where he made a significant impact during his 21 years of dedicated service.

In the years following the landmark 1954 *Brown v. Board of Education* decision, Dr. Flood and the late Gene Causby were tasked with facilitating the desegregation of schools in all 100 counties of North Carolina.

In 1969, Dr. Flood and Mr. Causby began to travel across the state to help desegregate North Carolina school systems. Beyond the assistance they provided in navigating this challenging process, it was the visual of these two men—one black, one white—working closely together that made a powerful impression on teachers and students alike.

Through his honorable work, Dr. Flood became a state hero and North Carolina became a model for school desegregation.

By working to ensure that North Carolina is a place where all students can learn irrespective of race, Dr. Flood helped to bring together starkly divided communities and effectively ushered in a new era for public education in our state.

Dr. Flood retired from public instruction in 1990. Since then, he has served as Executive Director of the North Carolina Association of School Administrators, taught as a visiting professor at multiple North Carolina colleges and universities, and continued to be an active community member.

Now 90 years old, Dr. Flood has led an incredible career as a champion for equitable education. Today his achievements can be seen in schools statewide, as children of all races are able to learn and play together and support each other's academic success.

As we begin celebrating Black History Month, I am honored to share his extraordinary legacy with this body. He enhanced the lives of hundreds of thousands of North Carolinians through his many achievements.

The people of our state are forever grateful for the remarkable life and lasting legacy of Dr. Flood.

POST OFFICE RENAMING THE "LYNN C. WOOLSEY POST OFFICE BUILDING"

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Ms. LEE of California. Madam Speaker, I am proud to support a bill to honor my friend

and fellow Californian, former Congresswoman Lynn Woolsey, by designating the historic downtown post office in Petaluma the "Lynn Woolsey Post Office Building."

Congresswoman Woolsey is remembered in Congress as an unabashed advocate for a fairer, more equitable society. As the self-described "first former welfare mom to serve in Congress," she was part of a historic wave of female leadership in Congress, blazing a trail for women for generations to come.

Congresswoman Woolsey served on the House Budget Committee, the Government Operations Committee, and the Education and Labor Committee, which helped cement her role as an effective leader in advancing education and welfare reform and ending gender discrimination. She was also a powerful leader in women's rights and equality. In fact, she played a critical role in the establishment of Women's History Month, an important tradition to honor the extraordinary women who paved the way for many of us today.

As co-chair of the Congressional Progressive Caucus, Congresswoman Woolsey tirelessly fought to strengthen social safety net programs in an effort to elevate the voices of those most vulnerable.

Furthermore, Congresswoman Woolsey was, and still is, a courageous advocate for peace who opposed the Iraq War from the beginning, and who was once arrested at a demonstration in Washington, D.C., along with the late Congressman John Lewis, to call attention to the genocide in Darfur.

Congresswoman Woolsey has been, and continues to be, a progressive champion and I am incredibly pleased to honor her two-decade-long career of good public service by voting for the passage of this bill.

INTRODUCTION OF THE COMBATING IMPLICIT BIAS IN EDUCATION ACT

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today I introduce the Combating Implicit Bias in Education Act. This bill would create a \$30 million grant program for schools to train teachers, principals and other personnel on implicit bias with respect to actual or perceived race, religion, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), disability, ethnicity and socioeconomic status.

In 2019, a report by the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights found that students of color with disabilities received far more severe and frequent punishment than their white counterparts.

In 2017, the Georgetown Law Center on Poverty and Inequality released a report finding that people think of Black girls as more adult-like and less innocent compared to their white peers. This bias has been linked to harsher treatment of Black girls in schools. Students experiencing implicit bias and even outright discrimination face far greater expulsion and suspension rates, fueling the school-to-prison pipeline and widening the student achievement gap.

This bill aims to reduce the impact of implicit bias on school discipline and academic

achievement through research-based training for education personnel.

Under this bill, the Institute of Education Sciences under the Department of Education would be tasked with evaluating and reporting on the effectiveness of the training.

I strongly urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR.
JAMYE COLEMAN WILLIAMS

HON. SHONTEL M. BROWN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Ms. BROWN of Ohio. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Dr. Jamye Coleman Williams, who passed away peacefully on January 19, 2022. I extend my sincerest condolences to her daughter, Donna, her extended family and friends, and all who knew and loved her.

Born in Louisville in 1918, Dr. Williams made remarkable contributions to academia, the church, and her community across her inspiring 103-year life. Her trailblazing legacy is a testament not only to the progress of America but also to the ability of bold individuals—specifically brave Black women—to drive the change they wish to seek.

Across her decades-long teaching career at HBCUs, including Ohio's own Wilberforce University, Dr. Williams made key contributions to rhetorical studies, a field long dominated by the study of white male orators. In fact, her dissertation on Thurgood Marshall's Arguments before the Supreme Court in the Public School Segregation controversy was published in 1959 by the Ohio State University, where she was earning her Ph.D.

In addition to her academic career, Dr. Williams was a lifelong member of the A.M.E. church. While remaining active in her local church, Dr. Williams served as a board member of the National Council of Churches and later as editor of The A.M.E. Church Review, the oldest African American literary journal. She also helped to break glass ceilings by supporting Vashti McKenzie's election as the first female A.M.E. bishop.

A tireless community activist, Dr. Williams moved from early involvement in the civil rights movement to later serving as a member of the NAACP's Executive Committee. In 1999, she received the organization's Presidential Award for her critical contributions.

Dr. Williams' legacy of service, activism and education will live on through the students, colleagues and countless individuals she touched. Her commitment to doing her part to advance justice and equality for women and people of color serves as a shining example for us all.

Today, may we honor the memory of Dr. Jamye Coleman Williams, a loving wife, an impactful educator, a committed community activist, and a lifelong church leader.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL WALTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. WALTZ. Madam Speaker, I missed a Previous Question vote on January 11.

Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 2.

HONORING UNITED STATES AIR
FORCE CAPTAIN SALEHA JABEEN

HON. ILHAN OMAR

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Ms. OMAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary work of U.S. Air Force Captain Saleha Jabeen. Captain Jabeen is the only woman Imam in the United States Air Force, and she has been working diligently as a cultural advisor and chaplain as part of Operation Allies Welcome at Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico.

Brigadier General Dan Gabrielli of the Minnesota National Guard has been the commanding officer at Holloman since August of last year, and I had the enormous privilege of being briefed by General Gabrielli, his leadership team, and Captain Jabeen on the incredible effort they've been engaged in to ensure that we live up to our promise to the Afghan refugees under their care.

Madam Speaker, Captain Jabeen represents the very best of the generous spirit of the American people. Her infectious charisma, boundless energy, deep cultural understanding, and tireless dedication to helping Afghan refugees acclimate to their new home have made her indispensable to Operation Allies Welcome. We are all fortunate to have had her in this position, ensuring that we have lived up to our cherished values of hospitality and providing safe haven to those in need.

As a refugee myself, I am intensely aware of the importance of creating a sense of community during the disorienting process of resettlement. Captain Jabeen has been essential in creating that sense of community at Holloman. I want to express my deep admiration and profound gratitude for her dedication to public service, for the support she has given to the Guardsmen and women from my district who have also been dedicating themselves to this crucial mission, and, most importantly, for the many lives she has changed permanently for the better.

HONORING DIANE HORN AS IOWAN
OF THE WEEK

HON. CYNTHIA AXNE

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Ms. AXNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Diane Horn, a Volunteer Income Tax Assistant with Lutheran Services of Iowa, as our Iowan of the Week.

As we enter a new tax filing season, I can't help but to think of all the Iowans out there

who are looking for help getting their taxes filed. Every day, I hear first-hand accounts of the challenges that taxpayers in Iowa are facing. While many of the challenges they're facing arise after filing their returns, many Iowans still explain to me that their problems could have been avoided had they not had issues with filing in the first place. That is why I am so proud to honor Diane Horn today.

Diane volunteers with Lutheran Services of Iowa (LSI) in their Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. She started volunteering about six years ago with another organization in Iowa, greeting folks who were coming in for service appointments. Diane previously held a career as an IT Manager, but in her second year of volunteering, she decided to learn more about tax preparation. Diane took classes and eventually took the tests required through the IRS to earn her certification.

Diane then started volunteering with LSI, where she started helping folks file their taxes. She explained how rewarding this experience is, and how she genuinely feels the impact of the help she is providing to those in need. Diane describes everyone she works with as being so grateful. Many of the people who come to her are refugees or immigrants, and many of them cannot speak and/or read English.

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted every single industry in our nation's economy, and it also had an impact on the work that LSI could carry out. Diane explained that working remotely came with its own unique challenges, but most of all, she missed being able to see and chat with everyone who made appointments with her. She loves hearing everyone's story, no matter the circumstances. It makes the work she does that much more gratifying knowing that she is truly making a difference for those who are in need.

The work Diane does is so incredibly vital to communities across Iowa's third district. The tax process is one that many Americans feel is complicated and difficult to fully understand. Diane helps ease those concerns and anxieties. Her dedication to helping those in need is commendable, and it is why I am so honored to name Diane Horn Iowan of the Week.

HONORING THE MEN AND WOMEN
OF TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend the service, dedication, and sacrifice of the members of the 60th Air Mobility Wing, the 349th Air Mobility Wing, the 621st Contingency Response Wing, and their partner agencies at Travis Air Force Base, which I have the distinct privilege of representing as part of California's Third Congressional District. They exemplify the best of America, and their tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

For eighty years, Travis Air Force Base has stood as a pillar of strength, projecting peace and stability in the Indo-Pacific region and providing support to American troops around the world. This mission is only accomplished

thanks to the blood, sweat, and fortitude of the 18,000 airmen and their families that maintain the highest levels of readiness and capability. Every single day this all-volunteer force provides essential aerial refueling, airlift operations, aeromedical evacuation, highly specialized rapid response contingency operations capabilities, and unmatched support to produce and execute rapid global mobility in support of our national defense.

Last year alone the men and women of Travis Air Force Base met a challenge of colossal scale when they played a pivotal role in completing the drawdown of forces from Afghanistan. Team Travis aircrews evacuated 12,962 Afghans while managing security and operations at the airport in Kabul.

The valor and heroism displayed by the men and women of Travis was imitable and worthy of recognition. Last month, I spoke with Captain Kayleigh Migalesdi, who helped evacuate 117 orphan children from the region during Operation Allies Refuge. She spoke about how she would have been at the Abbey Gate the moment a suicide bomber killed 13 Americans had it not been for an orphaned child who needed her assistance elsewhere on base. With tears in her eyes, she told me that she owed her life to that child, who she later helped reach safety and begin a new life. Capt. Migalesdi's story is just one of the many stories I heard that exemplify the character, leadership, and bravery that is cultivated at Travis Air Force Base. Service records only scratch the surface of the courageous actions performed by these men and women. They put their hearts and lives on the line to save so many. I am grateful every day that I have the opportunity to represent such an upstanding community in Congress.

This total force effort of active and reserve airmen directly enabled the largest non-combatant evacuation operation in known world history, ultimately saving over 124,000 lives. Simply put, Travis Air Force Base is the very best our Nation has to offer. Its strategic importance stands as a beacon of hope to our allies and a stern reminder of American resolve to our enemies. On behalf of a grateful Nation and all the constituents of California's Third Congressional District, I would like to thank the men and women of Travis Air Force Base and express my sincere gratitude for their sacrifice and contributions to the defense of this great Nation.

CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

HON. FRANK J. MRVAN

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. MRVAN. Madam Speaker, it is with great respect and sincere admiration that I rise today to celebrate Black History Month and its 2022 theme—Black Health and Wellness.

This year's theme recognizes the achievements and initiatives of African Americans in healthcare while simultaneously highlighting the disparities that still exist in our country. As we reflect on the past, we must examine how race and racism have created additional barriers for African American health outcomes.

Specific to Northwest Indiana, I would like to take a moment to recognize and commemo-

rate the notable achievements of Dr. Clarence Boone, a well-known obstetrician-gynecologist and leader in our region's medical community.

Dr. Boone was born and raised in Gary, Indiana. He graduated from Froebel High School in Gary in 1949 and went on to attend Indiana University—where he earned a degree in anatomy and physiology. He then made history as one of five Black students enrolled at the Indiana University School of Medicine in 1952.

After medical school, Dr. Boone returned to his hometown in Gary and spent his career advocating for African Americans and women in the medical field. He served as President of the Medical Staff of Methodist Hospital and as Medical Director for Planned Parenthood of Northwest Indiana. Dr. Boone is remembered as a community mentor who was committed to providing medical service to individuals who would not otherwise have access to it.

While we have made progress to improve access to affordable health care options, there still is a long way to go. Generations of strict geographical segregation have left many hospitals and medical care centers that continue to serve African American communities under-resourced and under-staffed.

Evident prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, and certainly emphasized by it, these shortages have resulted in African Americans being more susceptible to illness, less likely to receive adequate treatment, and placed further at-risk for complications.

While I appreciate the milestones reached through the passage of the Affordable Care Act, more must be done to improve access to affordable health care and decrease the gap in health-related outcomes for African Americans.

With this year's celebration of Black History Month, let us honor Dr. Boone from Gary and all African American scholars and medical professionals who have played such a monumental role with their contributions to health care in the state of Indiana and throughout our country, and let us recommit to ending health disparities for African Americans that still exist today.

RECOGNIZING THE MINTER FIELD AIR MUSEUM

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Minter Field Air Museum on the 80th anniversary of the dedication of Minter Field Army Air Corps Base.

Minter Field began operations in June of 1941. By 1942, the base had become one of the largest training bases on the west coast. Nearly 12,000 pilots received basic training and over 7,000 personnel manned the field during its years of operation. During World War II, more than 11,000 Army Air Corps Cadets graduated from Minter Field. These cadets went on to fly around the globe and in all theaters of the war.

On February 7, 1942, the base was named in honor of First Lieutenant Hugh C. Minter, a World War I veteran that lost his life in a collision over March Field in July 1932.

Minter Field Air Museum is located in the base's original fire station. The Museum has

compiled a database of over 11,500 names of cadets and staff, as well as a DVD library of over 900 hours of military and aviation videos. Their preservation efforts will allow Kern County to continue to honor the veterans who trained at Minter Field Army Air Corps Base for many years to come.

I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Minter Field Air Museum for its dedication to preserving the history of Minter Field and Kern County aviation.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, February 10, 2022 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

FEBRUARY 15

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert Phillip Storch, of the District of Columbia, to be Inspector General, Lester Martinez-Lopez, of Florida, and Christopher Joseph Lowman, of Virginia, both to be an Assistant Secretary, and Peter J. Beshar, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force, all of the Department of Defense.

SD-G50

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the President's Working Group on Financial Markets report on stablecoins.

SD-538

Committee on Finance

To hold hearings to examine protecting youth mental health, focusing on identifying and addressing barriers to care.

WEBEX

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine supporting quality workforce development opportunities and innovation to address barriers to employment.

SH-216

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Business meeting to consider S. 1617, to modify the requirements for the Administrator of the Small Business Administration relating to declaring a disaster in a rural area, S. 1621, to reauthorize and limit the pre-disaster mitigation program of the Small Business Administration, S. 2042, to reauthorize the Interagency Committee on Women's Business Enterprise, and S. 2521, to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish an SBIC Working Group.

SR-428A

3 p.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Tourism, Trade, and Export Promotion

To hold hearings to examine enhancing U.S. trade and promoting American exports to create jobs.

SR-253

FEBRUARY 16

10 a.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's Renew-

able Fuel Standard program, focusing on challenges and opportunities.

SD-106

Committee on Foreign Relations

Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security Cooperation

To hold hearings to examine the Western Balkans, focusing on supporting peace and prosperity.

SD-G50/VTC

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine pending nominations.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine reinvigorating U.S.-Colombia relations.

SD-G50/VTC

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Indian Affairs

To hold hearings to examine S. 3123, to amend the Siletz Reservation Act to address the hunting, fishing, trapping, and animal gathering rights of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, S. 3126, to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act to address the hunting, fishing, trapping, and animal gathering rights of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community, S. 3273, to take certain land in the State of Cali-

fornia into trust for the benefit of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, and S. 3381, to require the Bureau of Indian Affairs to process and complete all mortgage packages associated with residential and business mortgages on Indian land by certain deadlines.

SD-628

FEBRUARY 17

10:15 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the gaps in America's biosecurity preparedness.

SD-342/VTC

MARCH 2

10 a.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold an oversight hearing to examine implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act by the Department of Transportation.

SD-106